

Regular Council Meeting Minutes
August 18, 2025
6:00 PM Central Standard Time

Present: Donna Bullock, Steve Cozart, Brent Freeman, Brenda Godwin, Nina Hendricks, Michael Hutto, Gretchen Mcpherson, Shon Owens, Eric Seib, April Watson, Crystal Weatherington

Meeting Call to Order: Eric Seib **Prayer:** Mike Hutto **Pledge:** Brent Freeman

Approve Minutes: Councilman Mike Hutto made a motion to accept the Regular Meeting Minutes from August 4, 2025, as written. Seconded by Mayor Owens. 4 yeas, 0 nays. Motion carried.

1. Town of Jay Report:

Operations Report: Mr. Seib presented the operations report (attached). Discussion followed. He gave an update on Bray Hendricks Park. The survey for the Booker Street Sidewalk Project is to be completed this week. Mr. Seib stated that there is no requirement to advertise engineering support for the Industrial Park Stormwater Expansion project and that it could be done along with the sidewalk project. Mayor Owens made a motion to use the same engineer, LJA, for the Industrial Park Stormwater Expansion project as for the Booker Street Sidewalk Project. Seconded by Councilman Freeman. 4 yeas, 0 nays. Motion carried. The T-Mobile grant was not approved due to the volume of applications received. Mr. Seib is working on the Rural Infrastructure Grant that is due September 5, 2025.

2. Old Business:

New Budget First Public Hearing / Current Budget Review: Mr. Seib reviewed the Town of Jay Budget for 2025–26 with council members. Discussion followed. The first public hearing for the budget will be held Wednesday, September 5, 2025, at 6:00 pm with our regular council meeting to follow.

3. New Business:

FDOT Beautification Project Resolution 25-08-18: Mr. Seib read Resolution 25-08-18 stating the Town's desire to apply for the FDOT Beautification Project (attached). Councilwoman Hendricks made a motion to accept Resolution 25-08-18. Seconded by Councilman Freeman. 4 yeas, 0 nays. Motion carried.

Legislative Delegation Meeting: Senator Don Gaetz, Representative Nathan Boyles, and Representative Alex Andrade will be holding a delegation meeting at the Milton Community Center on September 23, 2025, at 6:00 pm for the public to bring for any policy proposals and appropriation requests. Flyer is attached.

Garbage Survey Results: The garbage survey results consisted of 15 residents preferring to keep twice weekly pickup and only three residents preferring once weekly pickup. One resident stated that they would only prefer once weekly pickup if it was a dramatic price increase for twice weekly. Discussion followed. Mr. Seib stated that he would like to discuss the option with Adams Sanitation to continue our current contract at the same rate as stated in the original contract for three additional years. He will discuss this with Adams and report back to the council.

Food Truck Licensing: The fee for Food Truck licensing was discussed. The Council stated they would like to keep the fee as is (\$300 per year) for a business license.

4. **Council Comments:** Councilwoman Hendricks discussed having other groups to assist the Town with next year's July 4th events with it being the 250th year celebration. Mayor Owens stated that he would be happy for other groups to be involved and possibly coordinate for the future. Discussion followed.
5. **Audience Comments:** Brenda Godwin made a formal request for a copy of the tentative budget. Ms. Bullock will prepare for her to receive. She also asked about updates on the clean up progress around Town. The Town is working on this as much as possible. She also stated that there is a portion of sidewalk on Alabama Street near the school that is sticking up and is a trip hazard. Mr. Seib stated that he would check into this.

Mayor Owens made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Councilwoman Hendricks. 4 yeas, 0 nays.
Motion carried



Donna Bullock, Town Clerk



Shon Owens, Mayor